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WILLIAM H. TAFT
NEW HAVEN, CONN

Pointe-au-Pic, Canada,
July 24, 1915.

My dear President Falconer:

I send you herewith copies of my lectures delivered at the University of Toronto, so that they may be printed. I am afraid I have delayed a long time in doing this, but I have been very busy and I postponed paying up my debts in this regard until I had a little vacation, which I am now enjoying at this delightful spot.

I hope that you and Mrs. Falconer have had a good rest. With my respectful compliments to her, and my best wishes to both of you, and with the most delightful recollections of my visit, believe me, my dear Mr. President,

Sincerely yours,

Wm H Taft

President Robert A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

Enclosures.

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WILLIAM H. TAFT
NEW HAVEN, CONN

October 8th, 1915.

My dear President Falconer:

I sent you typewritten copies of my lectures on "The Presidency", but I have not yet received the proof. I find some inaccuracies in the lectures, which I would wish to correct before they are printed. I don't wish in any way to be urgent in respect to their printing, because I am not concerned with that, but I am anxious that before they are printed, I should have an opportunity carefully to go over the text and make the corrections of misstatements that I have discovered.

Sincerely yours,

Wm H Taft

President Robert A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

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October 12th, 1915

Hon. W. H. Taft,

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Mr. Taft:

Since getting your manuscript we have been considering as to how it would be best to have it printed, and we have been corresponding with the Oxford Press in England as to whether if we printed the book at our own University Press, they will become our agents in England, so that we should have the sale of the book in Canada, they would handle it in England, and you would have your own publisher in the United States. I think that we can make arrangements with the Oxford People.

I have also asked the gentleman who is in charge of our "University Studies" and who does most of the reading of manuscripts for us to go through your manuscript. I have not yet had full report, but he informs me that he has already found some omissions that would have to be supplemented before they can be printed. In the second lecture especially is this the case.

Would you like me to send you back your own copy in which our reader has drawn attentions to omissions? If so, I shall have the copy sent to you at once.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

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WILLIAM H. TAFT
NEW HAVEN, CONN

October 17th, 1915.

My dear President Falconer:

I have your letter of October 12th. I wish you would send back to me my own copy, and I shall note the omissions.

Sincerely yours,

Wm H Taft

President Robert A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

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October 20th, 1915

Hon. W. H. Taft,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Taft:

I am sending you your copy of your lectures, which I hope you will receive in good condition.

With kind regards,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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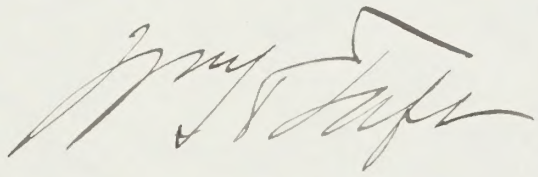
WILLIAM H. TAFT
NEW HAVEN, CONN

February 21st, 1916.

My dear President Falconer:

I find that I have gotten into trouble with respect to the publication of the three lectures that I delivered at the University of Toronto. When I spoke to you about this matter, I did not realize that I had promised that in the delivery of the lectures at other Universities than the University of Virginia, I would not permit their publication. The matter was so long postponed that my memory in respect to my obligations was defective. If now you think that this is a breach of my contract with you, I shall be glad to return the honorarium which you were good enough to give me.

Sincerely yours,



President Robert A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

February 23rd, 1916

Hon. W. H. Taft,

New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Taft:

I thought from the letter of your Secretary some time ago that perhaps there would be difficulty in our publishing your lectures at the same time as they are being brought out by Messrs. Scribners for Virginia University. In these circumstances I asked the Board of Governors to allow me to write to you that though we should have liked to have the series opened with a set of published lectures it would be probably in our interests financially not to issue the series independently. So we shall not expect you to send us the manuscript for publication.

Of course we should not dream of accepting your generous suggestion that you should return the honorarium. The pleasure and profit that we received from your visit last year amply deserves any financial return that we were able to make to you for it.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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WILLIAM H. TAFT
NEW HAVEN, CONN

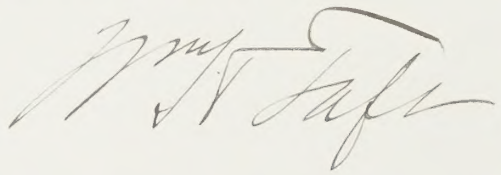
February 27th, 1916.

My dear President Falconer:

I thank you very much for your very kind letter. It was stupid for me to go into the arrangement with the University of Virginia and give them exclusive right to publish lectures which I expect to use everywhere, but I shall know more in the future. I appreciate much what you say.

With very best wishes, believe me,

Sincerely yours,



President Robert A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.